

# HOUSE BILL No. 1667

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** None (noncode).

**Synopsis:** Creation of public housing task force. Requires the governor to establish a public housing policy task force before September 1, 1999. Requires the six-member task force to make findings and recommendations concerning "one strike policies" that are required to be included in public housing leases under federal law. (One strike policies provide that criminal activity or drug related criminal activity by a public housing resident is a ground for eviction of the resident and members of the resident's household.) Requires the task force to make: (1) findings on the impact of one strike policies on public housing residents who engage in criminal activity or drug related criminal activity and on innocent members of their households;  
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**Effective:** July 1, 1999.

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(2) findings on the effectiveness of one strike policies in reducing criminal activity and drug related criminal activity in public housing; and (3) recommendations on legislative or administrative actions, if any, considered necessary to address the findings of the task force. Requires the task force to submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the governor and the legislative council by August 1, 2000.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT concerning property.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999] (a) As used in this  
2 SECTION, "one strike policy" refers to a provision that is included  
3 in a public housing lease under:

4 (1) 42 U.S.C. 1437d(l)(5); or

5 (2) a regulation adopted under 42 U.S.C. 1437d(1)(5),  
6 including 24 CFR 966.4(f).

7 (b) As used in this SECTION, "task force" refers to the public  
8 housing policy task force established under this SECTION.

9 (c) The governor shall establish a public housing policy task  
10 force before September 1, 1999.

11 (d) The governor shall appoint the following members to the  
12 task force:

13 (1) One (1) member representing the office of the secretary of  
14 family and social services.

15 (2) One (1) member representing a local public housing  
16 authority serving a mostly urban area.



(3) One (1) member representing a local public housing authority serving a mostly rural area.

(4) One (1) member who is an attorney who regularly represents residents of public housing in Indiana.

(5) One (1) member who has been evicted from public housing in Indiana or who has had a family member evicted from public housing in Indiana under a one strike policy.

(6) One (1) member who is a public housing resident in Indiana and who has never been evicted from public housing in Indiana or had a family member evicted from public housing in Indiana.

(e) The governor shall appoint a chairperson from among the members of the task force.

(f) The task force shall meet at least four (4) times and shall:

(1) study the impact of one strike policies on:

(A) public housing residents who engage in criminal activity or drug related criminal activity; and

(B) innocent members of the households of residents described in clause (A);

(2) study the effectiveness of one strike policies in reducing criminal activity and drug related criminal activity in public housing; and

(3) make recommendations on legislative or administrative actions, if any, that are considered necessary to address the task force's findings.

(g) The task force shall prepare a final report of its findings and recommendations. At least four (4) members of the task force must approve and sign the report.

(h) The task force shall submit the report required under subsection (g) to:

(1) the governor; and

(2) the legislative council;

before August 1, 2000.

(i) Each task force member is entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties, as provided in the state travel policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.

(j) Except as provided in subsection (g), the affirmative votes of a majority of the voting members of the task force are required to take action on a measure.

(k) This SECTION expires September 1, 2000.

